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1. An order issued in Moscow directed that the Neptun Shipyards in Rostock be removed from the list of concerns coming under the Soviet AG "Transmash", effective 31 December 1948, and that they be incorporated into the Vereinigung volkseigener Werften (Association of Socialized Shipyards).

2. All shipyards belonging to the Vereinigung volkseigener Werften, which means all important shipyards of the Eastern Zone, will come under the Russian Navy, namely the division "Baltic Fleet", beginning January 1949. This agency will issue all orders and directives relating to the future construction program.

3. The 1949 program for all shipyards belonging to the Association of Socialized Shipyards foresees the construction of large 45 and 50 ton seagoing cutters, which will be equipped with an 80 h.p. motor. The Neptun shipyards furthermore, [REDACTED] to build [REDACTED] torpedo boats and destroyers, and to build [REDACTED] for calling for the construction of 300 additional [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] has already been received. It is planned to transfer a large number of seagoing cutters to Russian Baltic Sea ports during the current year.

4. A Russian has been appointed as Director General of the Neptun shipyards to replace Director Pfeiffer who had been transferred some time ago to the Russian High Command in Pillau.

5. There is a tendency to increase the personnel of all shipyards coming under the Association of Socialized Shipyards. The personnel of the Warnow shipyards (formerly Kroeger Werft) in Warnemuende has been increased to 1400 men, while the Bodden shipyards in Damgarten employ at the present time over 800 men.

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